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Dear Dr. Jenkins:

I have just gotten around to reading (with very great interest) the memo on your meeting in Moscow on Soviet-American cooperation against terrorism. Our national academy groups on compliance with the BW convention have been having conversations with a similar tone and orientation.

Our own discussants come from the biomedical community and I have no reason to doubt that their responses are motivated in full sincerity at per face appearance.

The anecdotal details about the Soviet reactions to the Libyan raid and to the capture of their own hostages in Lebanon were fascinating.

Reflecting on the former, I wonder if one would not wish to add to your account of Soviet motives on page 10: their desire to encumber the US in a network of commitments that would reduce the likelihood of our taking unilateral action as in Libya. (Let us set aside a more elaborate discussion on whether that is or is not in our own highest interest.) I would argue that while our leaders occasionally operate more hastily than I would in the exercise of force, we have to give some pause to losing that freedom of action.

I am pleased to note also that you have come around to the view that the use of biological weaponry might be an entirely credible option for a new generation of terrorists.

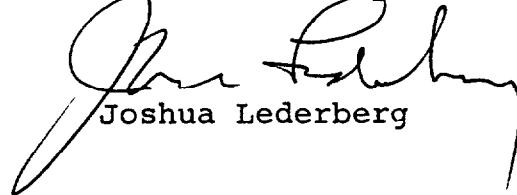
As we are going to be continuing these discussions, I would welcome an opportunity to sit down with you sometime to review feasible collective actions to minimize the likelihood of BW terrorism.

Dr. Brian Michael Jenkins
September 25, 1989

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Please let me know when you might be in New York, which is likely to be some number of times more often than I will be in Southern California.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joshua Lederberg". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Joshua Lederberg